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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| IN RE THE APPLICATION OF |) |
| |) Examiner: Nga B. Nguyen |
| Robert G. Padingham, et al. |) |
| |) Group Art Unit No. 3628 |
| SERIAL NO. 09/688,289 |) |
| |) Customer No. 23644 |
| FILED: October 13, 2000 |) |
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| FOR: Automated Negotiation within an |) |
| Auction System |) |

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF FEBRUARY 14, 2006

Honorable Director of Patents and Trademarks
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action of May 3, 2006, and as part of a Request for Continued Examination, it is requested that the application be amended as follows: